

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE		PAGE OF PAGES 1 7	
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 000001		3. EFFECTIVE DATE 03/03/2009		4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.	
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)		(x)		9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. DTRT57-09-R-20014	
		x		9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 03/03/2009	
				10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
				10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE		FACILITY CODE			

11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

☒ The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers ☐ is extended. ☒ is not extended.
Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)

13. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO MODIFICATION OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

CHECK ONE	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:
	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor ☐ is not, ☐ is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

This amendment 1) responds to questions submitted under this RFP 2) replaces Schedule 5 of section L.4.D with the Schedule 5 table included with amendment no. 000001, and changes the level of effort in L.2.E. from 13,100 hours to 12800 hours.
Period of Performance: 07/10/2009 to 07/10/2014

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) Orin D. Cook	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR (Signature of person authorized to sign)	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (Signature of Contracting Officer)	16C. DATE SIGNED

Responses to Questions Submitted in Response To Solicitation No. DTRT57-09-R-20014

Q1 Under the “original” but recently cancelled Remediation/Decommissioning procurement, we had requested past performance questionnaires from our clients as directed by your RFP. We do not intend to change our mix of projects for this re-issued procurement, and we are hesitant to trouble our client references a second time for the same information, especially as this is voluntary for them to respond.

Our intention is to request in our cover/transmittal letter that you internally re-direct the past performance questionnaires from your original procurement (DTRT57-09-R-2002) and apply them to this re-issued procurement (DTRT57-09-R-2014).

Please confirm that this will be acceptable.

A1 **Yes, submitted past performance submitted under DTRT-09-R-20002 is acceptable**

Q2 Our firm has spent a significant amount of time preparing a solicitation for the previous solicitation as a SDVOSB Firm. Will one of the contracts to be awarded still be set aside for a SDVOSB Firm?

A2 **Yes, See Section M.1.A**

Q3 In reviewing the information provided both in the current and previous RFP announcements, it does not appear that any information related to the current status of incumbents was addressed. Could you tell me in there are currently incumbent contractors, and how many contractors currently hold this contract with Volpe?

A3 **There are no incumbent contractors.**

Q4 Additionally, we continue to be hesitant to commit resources and Bonding Capacity to the contract without any idea of expected contract value. Do you anticipate issuing a contact ceiling for the ID/IQ, or will it remain TBD throughout the procurement phase? One of our current Federal Clients has been inquiring about our intent to pursue this, but we continue to be challenged internally by the lack of an anticipated contract value or ceiling. Will the Solicitation be reissued or amended with this information with sufficient time to adjust our strategy and match our proposal and pricing to the volume intended by Volpe?

A4 **No**

Q5 Lastly, will Volpe entertain formal questions regarding the RFP details under the newly released Solicitation, or it your intent to only publish the previous Q&A, and not delay the solicitation again.

A5 **See Section L.2.F**

Q6 Regarding the re-issue of this solicitation, will it be necessary to have performance evaluations re-submitted to your office, assuming that performance evaluations have already been received as required in the previous solicitation?

A6 See Q1

Q7 Please clarify the standard size for the two awards that will be made on a full and open basis. The Size Standard listed in the solicitation is 500 employees. Is 500 employees the number for the SDVO small business award? If so, what is the Size Standard for the other two awards.

A7 See Section M.1.C.

Q8 Please clarify if the work will be performed throughout the United States or just in Massachusetts? I believe I read it's throughout the United States and U.S. territories, but I want to make sure that is correct, especially since the contracting office is in Massachusetts.

A8 See Section C.1.C.

Q9 Section H.11 Performance and Payment Bond says Bid Bond is not required and FAR 52.228-1 is dropped from Section L.2.H Bonding requirements and Bid Quarantee

But FAR 52.228-1 is left in Section I.1 Clauses incorporated by Reference. This is a little confusing to us. Is it possible to clarify this issue at this stage.

A9 FAR 52.228-1 is deleted from Section I

Q10 The solicitation lists the evaluated resource level of effort at 13,100 hours on both page 69 and on Schedule 5 in the RFP, but the total hours on Schedule 5 have not changed from the previous solicitation. The total hours given to each labor category on Schedule 5 only represent 12,800 hours. What category should the missing 300 hours go to?

A10 See revised Schedule 5, Attachment 1, Amendment 00001, DTRT57-09-R-20014

Q11 Page 82, Schedule 5, Summary of Proposed Labor Cost, is the total amount of hours to be shared amongst the entire team including subcontractors?

A11 Yes

Q12 If we are using the same projects for DTRT57-09-R-20014 as for DTRT57-09-R-20002 do we need new past performance questionnaires submitted to VOLPE or are the original past performance questionnaires acceptable?

A12 See Q1

Q13 In Section L.2.E the RFP states, "the level of effort of 13,100 hours represents about one year of the five year requirement (Schedule 5)." However, the number of hours listed on Schedule 5 only adds to 12,800. Please clarify the total annual labor hours in Section L.2.E and Schedule 5.

A13 See Q10

Q14 In Section L.5.B.2 the RFP states, “Offerors must submit six (6) copies of individuals resumes.” This is the only direction in this section that calls out number of copies. Therefore, would you please clarify whether or not you want six copies of each resume in each of the six technical proposals (Volume II) we’re supposed to submit, or one set of resumes per each of the Volume II’s.

A14 A single resume is required to be contained within each copy of proposal submission.

Q15 In Section L.5.B.2 the RFP states, “resumes for the proposed key personnel must be consistent with the Offeror’s proposed labor cost presented in the cost proposal.” In addition, under Section I.3 the only Key Personnel listed under this contract is the Program Manager. Therefore, in the cost proposal do we only have to use the current salary for the proposed Program Manager? Or do we have to use the current salary data for all named individuals as directed in Section L.4.D, Direct Labor?

A15 Offer must determine

Q16 Section B - Paragraph B.2.B, page 3 – What is the estimated value of the contract?

A16 See RFP No. DTRT57-09-R-20014, Attachment No. J .3, Q11

Q17 Section H – Paragraph H.11, page 51 – How does the contractor get paid for the \$2,500.00 Performance and Payment Bonds that are required to be submitted within 20 days after contract award?

A17 The contractor shall not be reimbursed for \$2500 for the performance and payment bonds.

Q18 Schedule 5 – page 82 – The following labor categories are required to have rates submitted on Schedule 5, but there is no description for each category to develop the rates. The labor categories are; Professionals, Junior Professionals, Contracts Administrator, Junior Project Administrator, Word Processor, Drafter. What qualifications and experience should be used for each labor category to develop the labor rates?

A18 Offeror must determine

Q19 Schedule 5 – page 82 – There is a category for Equipment & Materials, and Laboratory Work. Should the costs from Table 3 be used?

A19 See revised Schedule 5, Attachment 1, Amendment 00001, DTRT57-09-R-20014

Q20 Schedule 5 – page 82 –In Attachment J.3 – Responses to questions submitted in response to solicitation DTRT57-09-R-20002 – Question & Answer 17 it states that these categories should use SCA rates & to use average rates; but in Section H.21 of solicitation DTRT57-09-R-20014 – it states that the contractor shall pay

Davis Bacon wages. Please clarify ? Which Davis/Bacon Rate determination should be used to develop the labor rates for the Hazardous Material Handler and the Hazardous Material Equipment Operator?

A20 See RFP No. DTRT57-09-R-20014, J.3, Q17

Q21 Section L paragraph L.5.B.2, page 87 – Staffing – Which individuals do you want the contractor to submit resumes for ?

A21 Offeror must determine

Q22 Page 37 Clause G 7 Payment and Consideration – A. CONSIDERATION – FIXED PRICE. Do the payment terms for fixed price task orders allow for interim **progress** payments to be made based on completed effort (completion of tasks within a task order). Can payment terms be negotiated within the task orders, once the scope, schedule, and budget are known?

A22 See FAR 52.232-1 & FAR 52.232-5

Q23 Page 75. Please provide additional clarification about the difference between Contractor site rates and Government site rates, as the answer provided from solicitation DTRT57-09-R-200002 still left this unclear. The text on page 75, describes that “the preponderance of the work will take place at the Government facilities, but some task orders will be performed at an Offeror’s facility”. Is it correct that the Contractor site overhead refers to the overhead that is to be charged for work performed at the Offeror’s facility (i.e, office rate), and accordingly the Government site overhead would relate to overhead charged at the Government site or job site, which depending on individual company disclosed practice, may be a field overhead rate?

A23 Offeror must determine

Q24 Clause H 11 (pg 51) – Bonding requirements. The new RFP indicates that performance and payment bonds are required at the outset of the contract, and for each task order. Please confirm that the amount of the performance and payment bonds required within 20 days of contract award is \$2,500.00. What is the purpose of the performance bond at contract award, since there will be no task orders or scope of work at that time to perform?

A24 Offeror must comply with H.11

Q25 As a follow-up question to question 32 on the original solicitation, with regard to transportation and disposal of hazardous waste, the response indicates that the contractor cannot act as an agent of the Government. Is it correct to assume that the Volpe Center or its sponsors will sign all manifests for T&D of hazardous waste under task orders for the contract?

A25 To be determined at task order issuance

Q26 RFP Reference: L.5.A, 2a (page 86): Under Past Performance, you mention a ‘required list of other current contracts.’ Could you indicate if there are specific details required in the list?

A26 Offeror is required to provide a list. There is no required format.

Q27 Page 86, Para L.5.A.2.a, Past Performance: The solicitation text states: “the total overall page limit for the summaries of the Offeror’s five most relevant contracts is 30. There is no limit for the required list of other current contracts.” The requirement for this list was not found in the solicitation. Please provide more detail on this list.

A27 See Q26

Schedule 5 - SUMMARY OF PROPOSED LABOR COST

Offeror or Subcontractor Name: _____

Annual Labor				
Labor Category	Unit	Total	Rate	Amount
Program Manager	Hours	500		
Project Manger	Hours	2000		
Project Engineer	Hours	1000		
Project Scientist	Hours	900		
Certified Industrial Hygenist	Hours	600		
Site Safety and Health Officer	Hours	700		
Site Superintendent	Hours	800		
Foreman	Hours	1000		
Professionals	Hours	1000		
Junior Professionals	Hours	800		
Hazardous Materials Handler	Hours	800		
Hazardous Materials Equip. Op.	Hours	400		
Contracts Administrator*	Hours	400		
Project Administrator*	Hours	300		
Junior Project Administrator*	Hours	500		
Word Processor*	Hours	500		
Drafter*	Hours	600		
Total Prime Labor		12800		

*Per offerors accounting system